

PASSPORT TO THE

EL PASO ZOO



***See and learn about animals from around the world.
Become a Junior Zoo Volunteer.***

The El Paso Zoo is a great place to:

- 1. Have fun with your family and friends.**
- 2. Learn about animals from around the world.**
- 3. Help save endangered species by becoming a Junior Zoo Volunteer.**



Black-tailed Prairie Dogs

Bring your family to the Zoo where you can see over twenty different kinds of endangered species like the Asian elephant, Sumatran orangutan, Amur Leopard and Mexican Wolf.

Your Passport to the El Paso Zoo will help you to become a Junior Zoo Volunteer. When you come to the Zoo bring your family and friends and have fun learning more about the animals.

You can find the answers to the Junior Zoo Volunteer questions when you visit the Zoo. Look for the answers on Zoo animal signs. Show your answers at the El Paso Zoological Society Office to receive your free Junior Zoo Volunteer sticker.

Because our exhibits are always changing some of the animals with pictures in this booklet may not be on exhibit when you come to the Zoo.

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California Sea Lions



California sea lions have a wonderful new home in the America's section of the Zoo. When you visit, learn about what sea lions eat and what you and your family can do to help protect their ocean homes.

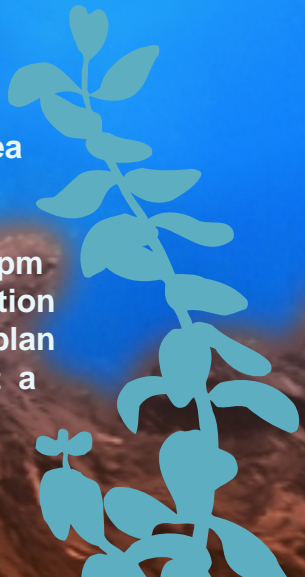


El Paso Zoo Water Conservation Partner



World of Sea Lions - California Sea Lion Exhibit


The Zoo built the new sea lion exhibit in 2003. The pool holds over 90,000 gallons of salt water and is over 20 feet deep. When you watch for the sea lions you can look for them while they swim in their new pool or while they rest above water. Every day at 11am and 3pm you can see a special sea lion demonstration in the Sea Lion Amphitheater. Be sure to plan your visit carefully so that you can get a closer look at these beautiful animals.





California Sea Lions

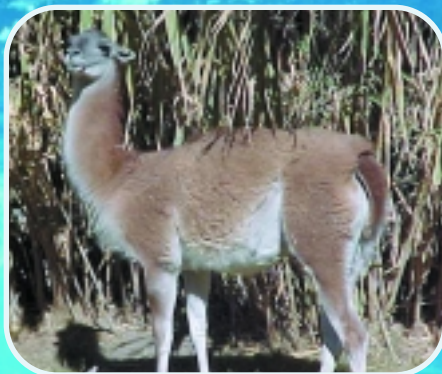
Sea lions need healthy oceans just like people do. Did you know that oceans help to provide the oxygen that people need to breathe? Sea lions eat fish, squid, octopi, crabs, clams, and lobsters. People eat many of the same foods sea lions eat. There is a big problem in the oceans today because people are eating too many ocean animals and some are becoming extinct. You can help protect the ocean by learning about the Audubon Sea Food Card. You can pickup a free copy at the Zoo Front Gate or the Zoological Society Office. You can also find a copy on our website at www.elpasozoo.org when you look for our Take Action pages.



Passport to the Zoo
Question #1:
Why do we call
these ocean
animals sea lions?



Greater Rhea



Guanaco



**Patagonian
Cavy**



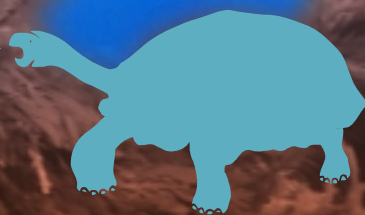
Crested Screamer



Capybara

Next on your adventure to the Zoo, walk to the America Lands where you can see animals from North and South America. First you will see animals from the Patagonia area of South America. Here you can see one of the biggest birds in the world – the greater rhea. Other animals that live with the rhea in the grasslands include the capybara, Patagonian cavy, crested screamer and guanaco.

Passport to the Zoo Question #2:
What animal is the biggest animal
in this part of the Zoo?





Wild Turkey



Sandhill Crane



Pronghorn

On the other side of the South America section you can see animals from North America. These animals include pronghorn, sandhill cranes and turkeys.



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Question #3:
How many miles per hour
can a pronghorn run?



Swainson's Hawk



You can color this picture of a Swainson's Hawk

Look for the Birds of Prey exhibit. These large birds all share one thing in common. They eat meat. Their beaks and claws help them catch other animals like mice and rats, rabbits and other birds. During the winter the Swainson's hawk migrates to the same part of the world where the animals of the South America Lands live.

**Passport to the Zoo Question #4:
What country in South America
do Swainson's hawks fly to during the winter?**





Ocelot (Endangered)

After you have seen the Birds of Prey you can walk to the other side of the Sea Lion Exhibit where you can see more animals from the Americas including Mexican wolves, alligators, spider monkeys and the ocelot. Many of these animals are endangered because people are destroying their homes in the wild. The places where animals live in the forests, grasslands, deserts, mountains, rivers, lakes and oceans are called wildlife habitat. When habitat is destroyed by man animals become endangered. Endangered means they might disappear from the world forever. People can help endangered animals by helping to protect their habitat.

Passport to the Zoo Question #5:
Name one endangered species that lives in
the Americas section of the Zoo:





Scarlet Ibis



Cattle Egret



Inca Tern

America's Aviary Word Scramble

Visit the America's Aviary and try to find all of the birds that live there.
Many of their names are found in this America's
Aviary Word Scramble.

Passport
to the Zoo Question #6:
Circle the eight bird names you can find in the Word Scramble

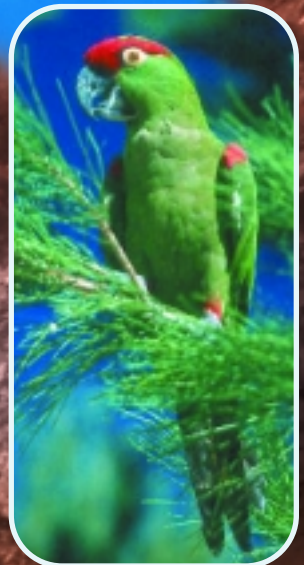
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Malayan Sun Bear

The Asia section of the Zoo is home to 12 different endangered species. People in El Paso are helping to save these animals by making donations to the El Paso Zoological Society Conservation Fund. You can help endangered species by saving your pennies and bringing them to the Zoo. Be sure to ask at the Zoo Front Gate or the Zoological Society Office for your free Pennies for Parrots bookmark.

Thickbilled Parrot (Endangered)



Asian Elephant (Endangered)

The biggest animal in the Zoo is the Asian elephant. Asian elephants are endangered because people are destroying their forest homes in places like Sumatra. Every day at noon you can watch our elephants go through their training exercises. Can you find Sumatra on the map below?



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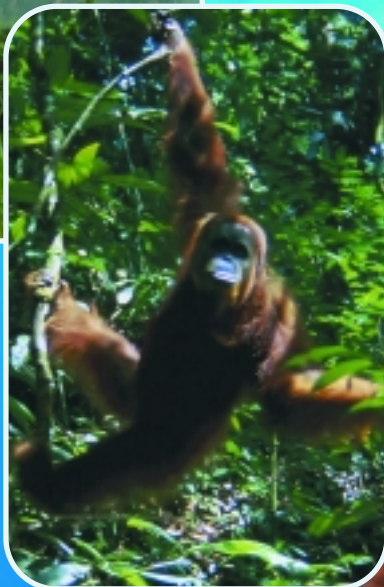
Question #7:

Circle the names of the countries where the Asian Elephant lives.





**Asian Elephant
(Endangered)**



**Sumatran Orangutan
(Endangered)**



Malay Tapir

Many of the animals at the Zoo are from Sumatra.

When people help to protect the habitat of the Asian elephant they also help to protect other animals from Sumatra like the Sumatran orangutan and the Malay tapir.

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Question #8:
What does the
name
orangutan
mean?**





**Amur Leopard
(Endangered)**



Amur Leopard Cub

The rarest large animal in the Zoo and one of the rarest animals in the world is the Amur leopard. Less than 50 Amur leopards live in their forest habitat of China and Russia. The El Paso Zoo is helping to save the Amur leopard. Five baby Amur leopards have been born at the Zoo.

**Passport to the Zoo
Question #9:**

**Why are Amur leopards
endangered?**



There are many ways a Junior Volunteer can help save endangered animals.

- 1. Junior Zoo Volunteers can ask their friends and families to join the Zoo as a member of the Zoological Society.**
- 2. Volunteers can help save animal habitats by learning about parks near El Paso where many wild animals live.**
- 3. Volunteers can ask their teachers to invite the Zoo's Traveling Safari to come to their school (For more information call 521-1872 or visit www.elpasozoo.org).**
- 4. Volunteers can collect money for the Zoo's Conservation Fund or Adopt-An-Animal at the Zoo.**
- 5. Volunteers can ask their grandparents to become Zoo volunteers.**



Asian Elephants (Endangered)

Animal Tracks



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Question #10:

**Match the four tracks with the animals
you can see at the Zoo.**

Choose from these eight possible answers:

**Mexican Wolf, Jaguar, Pronghorn,
Malay Tapir, Spider Monkey,
Malayan Sun Bear.**



Children need to help protect our Earth



Children and animals need many of the same things to live healthy lives on Earth. Circle the 4 things all people and animals need:

Clean water

Toys

Food

Habitat (a place to live)

Television

Clean air

Gameboy

Movies

Junior Volunteer Pledge



Indochinese Tiger (Endangered)

As an El Paso Zoo Junior Volunteer I promise to help all animals because animals deserve to live just like people do. I promise to help animals by taking care of the earth:

1. I will help my city to recycle cans and other materials like cell phones. (Used cell phones can be donated to the Zoo to help animals).
2. I will help to protect all animals including dogs and cats and other pets.
3. I will come to the Zoo every year with my family and friends.
4. I will go hiking and on nature walks so that I can learn more about nature.
5. I will read books about animals and nature.
6. I will help my family and my city save water and will not waste a drop.

Sign your name here

Date

To receive your El Paso Zoo Junior Volunteer Sticker show your answers at the El Paso Zoological Society Office at the Zoo. It is open every day until 4:30pm.

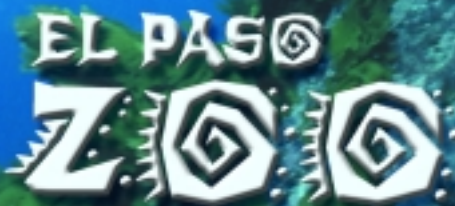


A colony of California Sea Lions

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LOCATIONS

- 1) Mexican Wolf & Jaguar
- 2) Spider Monkey Island
- 3) Galapagos Tortoise
- 4) Reptile House & Ocelot
- 5) South American Pavillion
- 6) Americas Aviary
- 7) Asian Elephant
- 8) Malayan Tapir
- 9) Siamangs
- 10) Amur Leopard
- 11) Asian Forest Complex / Nocturnal Exhibits
- 12) Indochinese Tigers
- 13) Asian Grasslands: Blackbuck & Nilgai
- 14) Sun Bears
- 15) Elephant's Trunk Gift Shop, Grasslands Café
- 16) Endangered Species Carousel / Recognition Garden & Animal Hall of Fame
- 17) Commons Lawn & Oaisis Snack Bar (currently Alligator)
- 18) Prairie Dogs / American Biome
- 19) Sea Lion Exhibit
- 20) Birds of Prey
- 21) Americas Lands (north & south)
- 22) Paraje Cisneros

RULES FOR VISITORS

Please do not:

- Feed or tease the animals
- Throw anything
- Run or push
- Climb or place children on railings
- Play radios or tape players (except with headphones)
- Bring roller skates, bicycles or balloons into the zoo
- Pick or trample flowers and plants
- Take strollers or wagons into Americas Aviary, Asian Forest Complex, South American Pavilion or American Biome
- Hold doors open when entering or leaving Americas Aviary or Asian Forest Complex
- Touch Paraje animals